

FAITH EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

Description of a Disciple

1. General Definition:

A disciple is a Christian who desires increasingly to be like Jesus by intentionally seeking to obey all that He commanded. He does this by giving priority to his relationship with God, his growth in Christian character and his ability to minister to others.

2. Phase One Description – “Come and See”

1. Major intent:

To help the person experience the saving grace and goodness of God by acknowledging Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord. He will be helped to learn some basic truths about his faith so that he can have a personal relationship with Christ. This will be evidenced by his personal testimony and water baptism and commitment to pursue a new life in Christ.

2. Initial Commitment Required:

- personal devotion daily.
- occasional involvement with covenant group
- occasional participation at worship services

3. Final Goal:

- The disciple has completed this phase when he
- has trusted Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord and has been baptized.
 - grows in knowledge and understanding of God's basic truths about his faith
 - grows in knowledge of basic doctrines of the Bible that affect his life and behaviour.
 - shows enough commitment to learn and practice some basic spiritual disciplines for his growing relationship with Christ.
 - is committed to attend a covenant group, weekly worship service and personal time with disciple-maker.
 - is willing to commit himself to the next phase of discipling.

4. Approaches used:

- Personal follow-up by disciple-maker
- Evangelistic Bible Study/New Believer's Class
- Attendance at worship services
- Outreach events (example: Parents' Appreciation Night) and retreats
- Invitation to home fellowship
- Attendance in covenant group

4. Duration: 6-12 months

Phase 1: Come and See (Drawn to Christ)

Transformational Indicators of Growth

Description	Verses
<p><u>1. A disciple is drawn to Jesus Christ by His call and invitation and also by His supernatural acts.</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A disciple is introduced to and becomes interested in Christ. 2. A disciple sees the supernatural acts of Christ demonstrated and is convinced of Christ's divinity 3. A disciple recognizes Christ as the Son of God and the Messiah 	<p>Jn 1:39,45; Jn 2:12</p> <p>Jn 2:11,23; 3:2; 4:53</p> <p>Jn 1:41,49</p>
<p><u>2. A disciple believes in the claims of Christ and trust Him alone for salvation</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A disciple believes and accepts Jesus as the Messiah and the only way to salvation 2. A disciple believes Christ rose from the dead. 3. A disciple believes that salvation is by faith through grace and not by works. 4. A disciple repents of his sins. 5. A disciple is baptized and confesses Jesus as Lord and Saviour. 6. A disciple receives the gift of the Holy Spirit . 7. A disciple experiences joy at his conversion 8. A disciple knows Jesus will return to rule over all creation and to give Christians an eternal inheritance 	<p>Acts 4:12; Jn 1:41,49,50</p> <p>Jn 2:11; 4:42.53</p> <p>Acts 3:15</p> <p>Gal. 3:18; Eph. 2:8-9</p> <p>Acts 3:19</p> <p>Acts 2:38</p> <p>Jn 4:19,18: 18:8; Rom 10:9</p> <p>Acts 2:38; 8:17</p> <p>Acts 16:34,</p> <p>Acts 3:21; Eph.1:10; 2:7</p>
<p><u>3. A disciple begins to make life-changes in his attitudes, behaviours and values by cultivating basic Christian disciplines.</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A disciple learns to have a passion to please and to serve God from a disciple maker. 2. A disciple invites others to learn about Jesus. 3. A disciple begins to share his testimony and faith with others. 4. A disciple begins to practice a beginning 	<p>Jn 2:17; 4:34</p> <p>Jn 1:41-42; 4:29-30</p> <p>Jn 4:39; 4:41</p>

<p>Christian lifestyle by having fellowship and prayer with other believers, observing the Lord's Supper and devoting himself to the teaching of godly leaders.</p> <p>5. A disciple turns from sins and idolatry to God.</p>	<p>Acts 2:42</p> <p>Rom 1:25; Mt 3:6; Acts 19:18</p>
<p>4. A disciple is willingness to go on in next phase of discipleship</p>	

3. Phase Two Description – “Follow Me”:

1. Major intent:

To help the disciple to become an effective witness for Christ and to help him grow in Christ-likeness . This involves a transformation in his world view and attitudes, a love for God and His Word and a deep desire for personal spiritual growth.

2. Initial Commitment Required:

- Regular personal devotions.
- Regular involvement with a Basic Accountability Group (BAG)
- Regular participation at weekly worship service.

3. Final Goal:

- The disciple has completed this phase when he
- has intentionally become an effective witness for Christ, being able to win and build up young Christians in the faith.
 - continues to grow in obedience by
 - developing many basic growth habits and disciplines,
 - learning to use his spiritual gifts for ministry and
 - demonstrating a readiness to serve in ministry.
 - is committed to have regular time with the disciple-maker in BAG
 - is willing to commit to next phase of discipling.

4. Approaches Used:

- Personal time with disciple-maker
- Participation in accountability groups, church retreats, camps, seminars
- On-the-job training in evangelism, personal follow-up and leading in a small group

4. Duration: 12-24 months

Phase 2- Follow Me (Growing in Christ)

Transformational Indicators of Growth

Description	Verses
<p><u>1. A disciple develops knowledge and understanding of God's truth</u></p> <p>I. Understanding God's truths:</p> <p>He will be taught biblical truths as he grows through different phases of his spiritual life. The contents of these teachings are as outlined under "Teaching Biblical Truths Through All Phases"</p>	
<p><u>2. A disciple develops basic habits of spiritual disciplines</u></p> <p>I. Discipline in the Word of God</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A disciple has daily devotions and bible study• A disciple is a doer of the word , not just a hearer• A disciple desires to allow God's Word to renew his mind and be conformed to God's will <p>II. Discipline in worship and Holy Communion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A disciple meets regularly for worship and communion• A disciple worships in spirit and truth <p>III. Discipline of Prayer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A disciple prays regularly and especially for those in ministry• A disciple prays corporately for those in ministry who are suffering persecutions <p>IV. Discipline of Giving</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A disciple regards all his possessions as belonging to God• A disciple trusts God to provide his financial needs• A disciple gives liberally and sacrificially both to God's work and to those in need <p>V. Discipline of fellowship</p>	<p>Mk 1:35; 1Pet 2:2 Ps. 119:2,11 Jas 1:22 Rom 12:2 Acts 20:7; Heb 10:24-25 Jn 4:23; Phi 3:3 Eph 6:18 Acts 12:5; 2Cor 1:9-11 2Cor 9:10, Acts 4:32, 36-37 Heb 13:16; 1Tim 5:17-18; Gal 6:6; 1Cor 16:2; Acts 24:17</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A disciple seeks regular fellowship with other Christians for mutual spiritual encouragement • A disciple values the importance of individuals and their fellowship • A disciple seeks every opportunity to do good and build other Christians • A disciple values relationships with all people(not quarrelsome but peaceable, not divisive, offensive or contentious) • A disciple brings legal/moral grievances against Christians to church leader, not civil courts • A disciple sets aside his rights in order not to cause a weaker Christian to stumble 	<p>1Jn 1:3; Heb 10:25</p> <p>Rom 16:1-16; 1Cor 16:20</p> <p>Rom 12:10; Gal 6:10</p> <p>1Cor1:10-11;1Cor 10:32; 2Cor 13:11;Tit 3:2; Jas 4:11</p> <p>1Cor 6:1-8</p> <p>1Cor 9:19-23</p>
<p><u>3. A disciple shows his commitment by making behavioral and value changes in his life</u></p> <p>I. Toward God</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A disciple shows spirit of gratitude and praise to God • A disciple seeks to honour and please God. • A disciple serves not man, but God whom he seeks for approval • A disciple lives in reverential fear of God • A disciple rejoices in his relationship with God • A disciple is willing to accept God's discipline and respond to His discipline by repenting of sin. <p>II. Toward Self</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A disciple understands and accepts his unique gifting as God's will without being independently divisive, disappointed, proud or jealous. • A disciple does not hold an inflated view of his abilities • A disciple dresses modestly and exercises self control • A disciple desires to have a godly family • A disciple repents of any disobedience or sin and proves his repentance with deeds • A disciple makes a decision to disobey the flesh and to resist temptation <p>III. Toward Employers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A disciple is an excellent employee who shows 	<p>Heb 12:28; 13:15</p> <p>2Cor 5:9</p> <p>Acts 5:4; 1Cor 7:23</p> <p>2Cor 5:11</p> <p>Phil. 3:1,4:4</p> <p>Heb 12:5; 2Cor 7:9-10</p> <p>1 Cor 12:4-31</p> <p>Rom 12:3</p> <p>Rom 6:12; 1Tim 2:9</p> <p>Tit 2:4-5;Heb 13:4</p> <p>Mt 11:21-22; Jn 8:11; Acts 3:19,26; 26:20</p> <p>Gal 5:24; 1 Cor10:13</p>

<p>respect and obeys his employers</p> <p>IV. Toward Spiritual Authority</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A disciple subjects himself to spiritual leaders and obey their decisions • A disciple who is sick asks the elders to pray for him • A disciple knows all accusations against church leaders must have witnesses <p>V. Toward Earthly Authority</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A disciple obeys the laws of the government • A disciple is obedient to earthly authority <p>VI. Toward Others</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A disciple honors others above himself • A disciple loves and seeks the good of his neighbours • A disciple shares the burdens of others • A disciple is hospitable • A disciple gives to the poor, shares all things with those in need • A disciple practices forgiveness and restores any brothers who repent 	<p>1Tim 6:1-2;1Pet 2:18; Tit2:9-10</p> <p>1 Cor16:16; 1Pet 5:5; Acts 16:4</p> <p>Jas 5:14</p> <p>1Tim5:19; 2 Cor13:1</p> <p>Rom 13:1-2, 5, 7</p> <p>Tit 3:1</p> <p>Rom 12:10</p> <p>Rom 13:8;1Cor 10:24 Gal 6:2 Rom 12:13</p> <p>Jas 2:14-16 Lk 11:2-4;2Cor 2:7;Eph 4:32</p>
<p><u>4. A disciple is involved in ministry and ministry training</u></p> <p>I. In Ministry</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A disciple spends time with non-believers seeking to evangelize them • A disciple proclaims the gospel wherever he goes • A disciple shares the gospel with others and to proclaim it to the whole world • A disciple uses persuasion in presenting the gospel • A disciple, when trained spreads God's truth everywhere • A disciple participates financially in spreading the gospel • A disciple knows his responsibility to proclaim the gospel to all in simplicity but leaves to God the choice of who will respond. <p>II. In Ministry Training</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A disciple spends time observing the disciple maker in ministry • A disciple follows the example of disciple makers 	<p>Mk 2:17 Acts 8:4-5 Acts 17:2, 18:3</p> <p>2Cor 5:11</p> <p>Acts 19:10</p> <p>Phil 1:5, 4:14-15</p> <p>1Cor 1:17,23; 2:4 Acts 13:48</p> <p>Phil 4:9</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A disciple lives and ministers intentionally • A disciple does the same works as his disciple maker • A disciple imitates mature saints of the present and past. • A disciple is trained to train others • A disciple grows in ability to present God's truth 	<p>Phil 3:17;4:9 1 Cor 9 27</p> <p>Jn 14:12</p> <p>Heb 6:12; 13:7 2Tim 2:2 Acts 9:22</p>
5. A disciple is willing to go on in the next phase of discipleship	

D. Phase 3 Description- Be With Me

1. Major Intent

To help the person make a serious and long-term commitment to (a) a life of service and ministry by equipping him with ministry skills and other relevant training experiences. (b) a life of deeper relationship with Jesus Christ through building of conviction, faith, and obedience.

2. Initial Commitment Required

- Regular personal time with God and with a disciple-maker
- Regular involvement with an Ongoing Accountability Group.
- Regular participation at worship services

3. Final Goal

The disciple has completed this phase when he :

- is willing to count the cost in leading or serving in ministry
- has developed ministry skills
- is actively involved in training and leading others for ministry especially in Covenant Group and BAG or serve sacrificially in a ministry
- is continuing to grow in his relationship with Jesus Christ
- is willing to commit to the next phase of discipling

3. Approaches used

- Personal time with disciple-maker – mentoring, intentional on-the- job training
- On-going accountability group
- Regular personal devotion with emphasis on prayer
- Leadership and Ministry Community (for leaders)
- Ministry Assistance Programme

Duration -24 months

Phase 3 - Be With Me (Serving Christ)

Transformational Indicators of Growth

Description	Verses
<p><u>1. A disciple deepens his knowledge and understanding of God and of His Truths</u></p> <p>He will be taught biblical truths as he grows through different phases of his spiritual life. The contents of these teachings are as outlined under “Teaching Biblical Truths Through All Phases”</p>	
<p><u>2. A disciple develops a deeper conviction of Christ’s teachings and greater commitment to Him.</u></p> <p>I. Seeks to put God and His Kingdom first</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A disciple puts God’s kingdom and His righteousness as his highest priority and trusts God to provide his needs • A disciple prioritizes Jesus and His commands above all other things • A disciple stores up heavenly treasure. • A disciple knows he can’t serve both God and money. • A disciple never allows other priorities of any kind to distract him from his calling and ministry. • A disciple knows that the kingdom of heaven is a treasure worth giving everything for. • A disciple reflects heaven’s priorities by befriending unbelievers and winning them to Christ. • A disciple obeys God even if it means breaking man’s laws <p>II. Chooses to live by God’s truth</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A disciple knows the facts of scripture and believes all of God’s power presented in Scripture. • A disciple believes God’s word is immutable and never detracts from it. • A disciple believes in the inspiration and certainty of every letter of every word in the Bible. • A disciple keeps Christ’s commandments. • A disciple holds to purity of doctrine. • A disciple seeks to grow up spiritually and to distinguish truth from error. 	<p>Mt 6:25-34</p> <p>Mt 10:37</p> <p>Mt 6:19</p> <p>Mt 6:24</p> <p>Lk 9:62, 10:4</p> <p>Mt 13:44-46</p> <p>Lk 15:7</p> <p>Acts 4:19-20, 5:29</p> <p>Mt 22:29</p> <p>Lk 16:17</p> <p>Mt 5:18</p> <p>1 Jn 2:4-5, 3:21-22, 5:2 Tit 2;7; 1 Thess 5:21; Jn 2;24</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A disciple has a broad understanding of the entire spectrum of God's word. <p>III. Chooses to live by the Spirit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A disciple obeys the leading of the Holy Spirit. • A disciple knows he is to walk by the Spirit • A disciple knows that blasphemy against the Holy Spirit is an eternal sin. • A disciple consistently pursues bearing fruit of the Spirit <p>IV. Believes in the power of prayer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A disciple believes unbiased prayer and without doubting will be answered by God. • A disciple learns to persevere in prayer. • A disciple knows God does not answer prayers of those seeking to further a life of sin. • A disciple prays to God to give him power to glory Jesus. • A disciple fasts • A disciple knows God answers prayer according to the measure of your faith. • A disciple knows God answers prayer according to the measure of his faith. <p>V. Strives to live an exemplary life</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A disciple lives by faith and conducts himself in a manner worthy of Christ. • A disciple is to be an example to all believers by speech, conduct, love, faith, purity and to set an example worthy of imitation. <p>VI. Guards against false teachings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A disciple knows in the last days mockers and false teachers will arise. • A disciple is careful not to be deceived by false prophets and teachings • A disciple refutes heresies in the church and rebukes and discredits false teachers. • A disciple tests those claiming to prophesy from God. • A disciple defends against heresy by knowing God's word and His love. 	<p>Eph 4:14</p> <p>Acts 13:16 ff</p> <p>Act 16:6-10 Gal 5:25</p> <p>Mk 3:29; Lk 12:10 Lk 10:27; Rom 12:10; Gal 5:22-23</p> <p>Mt 18:19, 21:21-22</p> <p>Lk 11:9-10</p> <p>Jn 9:31 Acts 4:29</p> <p>Mt 6:16</p> <p>Mt 9:28-29</p> <p>Mt 9:28-29</p> <p>1Thes 1:7, 2:12; Phil 1:27</p> <p>1Tim 4:12; 1 Cor 4:16-17; Phil 3:17</p> <p>2 Pet 3:3</p> <p>Mt 16:6; 2 Pet 3:17; Col 2:8 1Cor 15:12; 1 Tim 1:3; 2 Cor 11:12 1 Jn 1; Mt 7:15</p> <p>Jude v.20-21</p>

<p><u>3. A disciple develops his ministry skills and right attitudes in ministry</u></p> <p>a. Serves with humility and in love</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A disciple does not exalt himself. • A disciple serves with a servant's heart, exercises stewardship and faithfulness. • A disciple knows that, in the kingdom of heaven, greatness comes from serving others. • A disciple uses the law of love, not just higher knowledge, to dictate how he uses the law of liberty. <p>b. Serves with God-given authority and gifts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A disciple knows God has given him spiritual gifts. • A disciple trusts Christ to give him power and acts on that faith to do supernatural ministry. • A disciple edifies and equips Christians to build up the church. • A disciple exercises his gift with the authority and power of God • A disciple uses God's power to release others from spiritual bondage <p>c. Serves in unity and harmony with others</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A disciple knows the interactive body life of a church is to bring members to spiritual maturity • A disciple knows that individual maturity comes as the church corporately works together to make disciples. • A disciple knows he is to maintain peace to demonstrate unity in Christ. • A disciple is to pray for peace and to live in peace and harmony with others. <p>d. Serves under authority and with accountability</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A disciple maker makes himself accountable to more mature leaders. • A disciple respects and commends his disciple maker <p>e. Serves diligently</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A disciple works hard in his ministry 	<p>Lk 18:14; Mt 23:8-9 1 Cor 4:1-2; Col 1:7; 1 Pet 3:8, 5:5-6</p> <p>Acts 20:19; Mk 9:35</p> <p>1 Cor 8:9-13</p> <p>Acts 19:6; Eph 4:17</p> <p>Acts 3:16</p> <p>Eph 4:12; 1 Cor 14:1-12</p> <p>Mt 10:1</p> <p>Mt 28:18; Mk 3:14-15</p> <p>Eph 4:13</p> <p>Eph 4:16</p> <p>Eph 4:3-4</p> <p>Mk 9:50; 2 Pet 3:14; Rom 14:19; Heb 12:14; 1 Tim 2:2</p> <p>Acts 15:2, 19:30-31</p> <p>2 Cor 12:11; 1 Thess 5:12-13</p> <p>1 Cor 15:10; 2 Cor 8:22</p>
<p>4. A disciple is willing to go on to next phase of discipleship</p>	

E. Phase 4 Description – “Remain In Me”

1. Major Intent

To encourage the person to (a) continue growing in Christ-likeness and fruitfulness (b) commit to life-long ministry of reproducing disciple-makers and (c) cultivate God-given leadership gifts to equip the disciples for life and ministry or serve in ministry faithfully according to gifting.

2. Initial Commitment Required:

- All the commitments of Phase 3 Disciple

3. Final Goal

The disciple has completed this phase when he:

- continues to grow in Christ-like character, behaviour and fruitfulness
- multiplies disciple-makers and equips mature disciples/leaders in ministry
- is motivated and committed to preach the gospel.
- is actively involved in ministry especially in leading a small group.

4. Approaches used

- Personal time with disciple-maker – mentoring, intentional on-the- job training
- On-going accountability group
- Regular personal devotion with emphasis on prayer
- Leadership and Ministry Community
- Leadership Assistance Programme
- Attend other relevant Bible courses

5. Duration – Till we see Jesus

Phase 4- Remain In Me (Reproducing In Christ)

Transformational Indicators of Growth

Description	Verses
<p><u>1. The disciple-maker continues to grow in Christ-likeness</u></p> <p>A disciple-maker models after Christ in all areas of his life</p>	

<p>a. A disciple maker grows in his love</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grows in love for Christ • Does not forsake his first love for Christ • Allows his life to be controlled by Christ • Lays down his life for other Christians • Loves in deed and truth • Shares his very life with his disciples, not just God's word • Counts personal loss as nothing compared to what he can gain in loving Christ <p>b. A disciple maker grows in his character</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goodness • Self-control • Holiness • Discipline • Gentleness • Integrity • Contentment • Humility <p>c. A disciple-maker willingly suffers for Christ</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rejoices in suffering • Accepts joyfully the wrongful seizure of his property when persecuted. • Counts trials as joy because of growth and reward they bring. • Arms himself with purpose to suffer in the flesh. • Risks his life, if necessary, for others. • Considers all personal merit as loss in order to gain Christ. <p>c. A disciple maker's life is characterized by prayerful dependence on the Holy Spirit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prays for God's blessings be upon his disciples • Prays for the sick • Prays to God out of pure motive. • Devotes time to prayer to discern God's will. • Relies on power of the Holy Spirit and discipline to stay passionate about ministry. • Uses God's spiritual strength God gives <p>d. A disciple maker shows fruitfulness in ministry</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knows he is sent out to make disciples just like Jesus was. • Deploys and recruits disciples in ministry. • Exhorts other disciples to ministry • Seeks to make disciples in the entire world 	<p>Jn 21:16 Rev 2:4 2Cor 5:14 1 Jn 3:16 1Jn 3:18</p> <p>1Thes 2:8</p> <p>Phil 3:7-11</p> <p>Tit 1:8 1Tim3:3 Tit 3:2 Tit 2:2 Gal 6:1 Eph 4:25 Phil 4:11-13 Phil 2:3</p> <p>Acts 16:25; Rom 8:17</p> <p>Heb.10:34</p> <p>Jas 1:2-4</p> <p>1 Pet. 4:1-2 Rom 16:4 Phil. 3:7-8</p> <p>Jn 17:9; 2Tim 1:3 Jas 5:14 Jas 4:3 Acts 6:4</p> <p>2 Tim 1:6-7</p> <p>2 Tim 2:1</p> <p>Jn 20:21</p> <p>Acts 11:25, 12:25 Col 4:17</p>
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<p>e. A disciple maker is a model for others</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sets an example and as model for other disciples and young Christians. • Lives a holy life for others to follow. • Imitates Christ in his humble service to others 	<p>Lk 24 47</p> <p>1 Cor11:1;1 Thes 2:10</p> <p>Jn 17:19; 2Thes 3:9; 2 Tim 3:10 ;Jn 13:1-17</p>
<p><u>2. A disciple-maker shows unflagging zeal and commitment to preach and defend the gospel.</u></p> <p>a. A disciple maker defends the gospel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Able to refute false teachers. • Reproves false teachers severely. • Is proficient in apologetics <p>c. A disciple maker suffers for the gospel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Willing to suffer for Christ in proclaiming the gospel • Not ashamed of the gospel or be persecuted for it. • Willing to lose his life for the gospel. • Bears witness for Christ even in dangerous circumstances or being persecuted. • Willing to accept his share of suffering to serve Christ. • Puts God's will above his own safety and life. • Does God's will and is faithful in ministry even to death. 	<p>1Pet 3:15; Tit 1:9 Tit 1:13 Acts 17:2-3</p> <p>2 Tim 1:8, 2:3, 4:5</p> <p>Rom 1:16; 2Tim 1:8 Phil 1:21 Acts 4:10</p> <p>Col 1:24,2:2</p> <p>Acts 21:13 Phli 2:8</p>
<p><u>3. A disciple-maker shows commitment to reproduce disciples</u></p> <p>I. A disciple maker reproduces and sends out disciples</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does what he can to disciple new converts • Teaches the disciples God's truth to increase their maturity. • Uses scripture for teaching , reproof, correction and training for every good work. • Teaches disciples on their appropriate maturity level. • Sends his disciples into the world. • Sends church planters/preachers/workers to multiply disciple makers 	<p>Acts 14:21 Rom 15:16; Col 1:28-29;1Tim 4:13</p> <p>1Tim 3:16-17,4:2</p> <p>1 Cor 3:1-3 Jn 17:18 Rom 10:15</p>

4. A disciple-maker is willing to keep on going in discipleship.	
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TEACHING BIBLICAL TRUTHS THROUGHOUT ALL PHASES

A disciple or disciple-maker will be instructed in and taught the Word of God. This will increase his knowledge and understanding of Bible doctrines, and other Christian facts and beliefs, thereby helping him to grow further in spiritual maturity.

I. The Doctrine of Scripture A. Scriptures are inspired Word of God B. Scriptures are without error in the original writings. C. Scriptures are the complete revelation of God's will for the salvation of men. D. Scriptures are the divine and final authority for all Christian faith and life.	2 Tim 3:16; 2 Pet.1:21 Jn 17:17; 1 Cor. 2:13; Tit.1:1-2 Rom. 1:16; Heb.1:1-2; 1 Cor.4:6; 2Tim 3:16-17; Rev 22:18-19.
II. The Doctrine of God A. His existence B. He is the Creator C. His Nature a. Spirituality of God b. The Personality of God c. The Unity of God d. God in three Persons (exists as a Trinity) D. His Attributes 1. Natural attributes a. He is omniscient (knows all things) b. He is omnipresent (infinite in relation to space) c. He is omnipotent ((infinite in regard to power) d. He is eternal (not bound by time) e. He is unchangeable (forever the same) f. He is self-existent (ground of His existence in Himself)	Gen. 1:1; Jn 1:1; Heb 11:6; Rom. 1:19-20. Gen.1:1;Ps. 104; Heb. 11:3 Jn 4:24; 1Tim1:17 Ex. 3:14; Gen 6:6; Col.1:15-17 Deut. 6:4; 1Cor. 8:4; 1Tim2:5 Gen. 1:26-27; Isa. 6:8; Matt. 28:19; 2 Cor. 13:14; Acts 5:3-4 Ps. 90:2; Isa. 48:5-8; 1 Jn 3:20 Ps. 139:7-12; Jer. 23:23-24; Acts 17:27-28 Gen. 18:14; Job 42:2; Matt. 19:26; Heb.1:3 Deut. 33:27; Psa.102:27b; 1Tim 1:17; Jude 25 Mal. 3:6; Heb 1:10-12; Jas. 1:17 Ex. 3:14; Acts 17:25

<p>2. Moral attributes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. His holiness b. His justice and righteousness c. His goodness (deal kindly and bounteously with His creatures). Within context of His goodness, we have: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - His love: moves God to focus His goodness upon us. - His mercy: His goodness to those in misery or in distress. - His grace: His goodness to those who do not deserve it. - His long-suffering: His goodness in bearing long with those who grieve or reject Him. d. His truthfulness: Real and genuine and absolutely truthful. 	<p>Lev.11:44; Josh. 24:19 Psa. 99:4; Isa. 33:22; Rom 1:32</p> <p>1 Jn 4:9,10; Isa. 38:17; Eph.2:4 Eph. 2:4; Matt. 5:45</p> <p>Eph. 1:5-7</p> <p>2 Pet. 3:9; Psa. 86:15</p> <p>Jer. 10:10; Jn 14:6</p>
<p>III. The Doctrine of Jesus Christ (Christology)</p> <p>A. The Person of Christ</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. His humanity- fully man b. His deity - fully God <p>B. The Work of Jesus Christ</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. His death- as sacrifice for our sins b. His resurrection c. His ascension and exaltation 	<p>Jn 1:14; Gal. 4:4; 1 Jn 1:1-3 Jn 1:1-3; Phil 2:6; Col. 1:15-19 Heb. 1:8 Mk 10:45; Rom 3:25-26 1Cor 15:14-18; Acts 4:33 Acts 1:9-11; Heb.6:20; Heb 4:14-16; 2 Cor 5:1-8</p>
<p>IV. The Doctrine of the Holy Spirit (Pneumatology)</p> <p>A. The personality of the Holy Spirit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Use of names and personal pronouns that implied personality b. Ascribed with personal characteristics <p>B. The Deity of the Holy Spirit</p> <p>C. The Ministry of the Holy Spirit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. to glorify Jesus Christ b. to convict men c. to regenerate believing sinners d. to indwell, guide, instruct and empower the believer. 	<p>Jn 14:16; Jn16:7,8</p> <p>1 Cor. 2:10;11; 1Cor 12; Rom 8:27 Acts 5:4; Psa.139:7-10; Gen 1:2</p> <p>Jn 16:14; Jn 16:8-11 Jn 3:5-8; Tit 3:5 Jn 14:17; 1Cor 3:16 Rom 8:1-17; 1Jn 2:20,27 Act 1:8; Gal 5:16-26</p>

<p>V. The Doctrine of Man (Anthropology)</p> <p>A. The Creation and Original Condition of Man</p> <p>a. Man created in the image and likeness of God</p> <p>b. Man fell into sin</p> <p>B. The Consequences of Man's Fall</p> <p>a. Separation from God</p> <p>b. Invocation of God's wrath</p> <p>c. Penalty of death</p>	<p>Gen. 1:26-31 Gen 3;</p> <p>Rom. 3:23 Rom 1:18; Eph, 2:1-3 Rom 6:23</p>
<p>VI. The Doctrine of Salvation (Soteriology)</p> <p>A. The Ground for Justification and Salvation</p> <p>a. The shed blood of Christ.</p> <p>b. The resurrection of Christ.</p> <p>B. The Product of Shed Blood and Resurrection of Christ.</p> <p>a. Justification and Salvation (repentance, justification, reconciliation, redemption, sanctification, glorification.)</p> <p>C. Justification and Salvation are for all Believers</p> <p>a. The necessity and role of faith</p> <p>b. The content of faith</p>	<p>Rom 5:9; Heb. 9:22; 1Pet.1:18-19 Rom 4:25; 8:33-34</p> <p>Acts 2:38; 2Cor.5:17; Rom 8:1; Eph 1:4,5; 1Cor 6:11; Heb 10:10,14; Rom 18-25</p> <p>Jn 3:16; Rom 3:21-30 Mat. 4:17; Acts 26:20; Acts 5:31; 11:18; Eph 2:8</p>
<p>VII. The Doctrine of the Church (Ecclesiology)</p> <p>A. The Nature of the Church (Universal and Local)</p> <p>B. The Ordinances of the Church</p> <p>a. Baptism</p> <p>b. Lord's Supper</p> <p>C. The Government of the Church</p> <p>D. The Vocation of the Church</p> <p>a. Worship and glorify Him</p> <p>b. World evangelization/witness for Christ</p> <p>c. Build believers to maturity</p> <p>d. Church discipline</p>	<p>Rom 12:4-5; 1Cor 3:9-17; Eph.1:22-23; 5:25-27; 1 Pet 2:9</p> <p>Matt. 28:19-20; Acts 2:38 Acts 2:42,46; 1Cor. 11:20-34 Acts 20:28; Eph 4:11; 1Tim3:2 Tit 1:5; Matt18:15-19</p> <p>Eph. 1:4-6 Matt 29:19-20; Acts 1:8 Eph 4:11-15; Heb. 10:25-28 1Cor. 6:1-8</p>
<p>VIII. The Doctrine of the Last Things (Eschatology)</p> <p>A. The Second Coming of Christ</p> <p>B. The Resurrection of the Dead</p> <p>a. Resurrection of the righteous to everlasting blessedness and joy.</p>	<p>1Thess. 4:16-17; Matt 24:44 Rev 20:11-15;</p> <p>Jn 6:39-40; Rom 6:22-23; Rev 21:1-22:5</p>

b. Resurrection of the wicked to judgment and everlasting conscious punishment	Dan 12:2; Matt 25:41,46; Jn 5:28-29; Rev 20:11-15
IX. The Doctrine of Angels A. Their existence B. Their nature C. The fallen angels and their work D. The work of good angels a. Their heavenly ministry b. Their earthly ministry	Matt. 18:10; Mk 13:32; 2Thess 1:7 Heb. 1:14; 2Pet. 2:11 Jude 9 2 Pet 2:4; Matt 25:41; Eph 6:12 Isa 6; Rev 5:11-12 Acts 10:3; Lk 22:43; 1Cor 4:9; Lk 16:22
X. The Doctrine of Satan A. His existence and personality B. His place and power C. His character (adversary, the devil, wicked one, the tempter) D. His destiny (conquered enemy, perpetual curse, cast into lake of fire)	Matt 13:19,39; Jn 8:44; 1Jn 3:8 Jn 14:30; Eph 2:2 ; 2 Cor.4:4 Acts 26:18; Heb 2:14 1Pet.5:8;Matt 13:39; Matt 4:3, 13:19; Jn 12:31; Gen 3:14; Rev 20:10
XI. The Theology of Suffering A. Jesus' preaching about suffering B. Purposes and results of suffering C. Biblical examples (Jesus, Paul, Job, David) D. God-our resource in suffering E. Human response to suffering	Mat 5:3-11, 16:24-25; Lk 12:49-53 Phil 3:10; 1Pet 1:7; 2Cor 1:4; 1Pet 5:10 Ps 18:2; Ps 37:40; 1Thess 2:2; 1Pet 2:25 Ps 37:7; 1Pet 5:7; Heb 12:2; Lam 3:21-23
XII. The Doctrine of Eternal Rewards A. The certainty of eternal rewards B. The cost of eternal rewards C. The kinds of eternal rewards D. The purpose of eternal rewards.	Mat 10:40-42; Jn 12:24-26; Col 3:23-24; Rev 22:12 Jas 1:12; Heb 11:6; Rev 2:10; Mat 16:24-27 Rev 3:4; Rev 2:7; Jn 14:21; Jn 12:26 Mat 6:19-21; Col 3:1-4; 1Cor 3:8

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XIII. Book Study of All Books of the Bible	